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Title: SECURED THREADING NUT DECKING
CLAMP AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME §

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Preliminary Statement

Applicant submits herewith patents, publications and other information of which he is aware, which he believes may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56.

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A list of the patents and/or publications is set forth in the attached (Section 9) Form PTO-1449. Copies of items listed where available are enclosed.

Concise Explanation Of Listed Information Items

The patent references attached and identified on PTO-1449 disclose various clamps and clamping systems.

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